MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Arukutty Division.

Disbandment of Excise Officers.

24. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of Petty Officers and peons disbanded in connection with the reorganisation of the Excise Department?

(*b*) How may of these were disbanded in each Circle?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No permanent hands were disbanded in connection with the reorganisation, but 20 Petty Officers and 139 peons who were either temporary or acting were disbanded.

(*b*) A statement* containing the information is laid on the table

Revenue from the Arukutty Circle.

25. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the annual income under customs revenue in the Arukutty Circle for the past seven years;

(*b*) the amount of customs revenue in the Arukutty Circle in the current year until Edavam last;

(*c*) whether the customs revenue of the Arukutty Circle in 1098 is less than that in 1097, and, if so, what the amount of the fall is; and

(*d*) the reason for the fall?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*)

Year.	Revenue.		
	Rs.	Chs.	C.
1091	8,00,769	25	2
1092	8,34,221	27	14
1093	7,81,379	16	5
1094	9,93,514	5	1
1095	9,20,520	17	9
1096	10,99,383	11	7
1097	11,97,413	11	0

(*b*) The customs revenue up to the end of Edavam, 1098, is Rs. 8,75,682-3-9.

(*c*) The customs revenue of the Arukutty Division in 1098 up to the end of Edavam is less than that of the corresponding period of 1097 and the fall is B. Rs. 1,91,379-4-9.

(*d*) The fall is reported to be mainly under copra, cocoanut oil, coir, dry ginger, and pepper. The fall under coir and pepper which amounts to Rs. 70,000 is due evidently to the diversion of exports through the Alleppey Sea Customs where there is an increase of Rs. 1,23,000

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[Mr. T. R. Ramasubba Aiyar.]

(ii) Orders have been passed in a few cases, that *pattas* will be granted when the lands are surveyed and sub-divided.

(iii) Government have no information.

(c) The Kanjirapalli *pakuthi* now forms part of the Changanachery taluk for which there is an Assistant Tahsildar and that officer must undertake the work in due course.

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Appendix.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 24.**

Statement showing the number of acting or temporary hands disbanded from each Division in the Excise Department.

Division.	*Petty Officers.*	*Peons.*
Salt Factories	8	37
Nagercoil	...	16
Trivandrum	...	4
Quilon	8	22
Kayankulam	...	4
Alleppey	3	3
Arukutty	...	10
Piravam	...	5
Kottayam	...	3
Alwaye	1	16
Devicolam	...	15
Excise Commissioner's Office ...	...	4
Total	20	139